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**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING
June 12, 2006
CUSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**

Selectmen Present: Chairman Alton Grover, Kim Young, Peter Haviland, and Randy Robbins.

Board approved Warrant #118 & #119

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM. Kim Young motioned, Randy Robbins seconded to approve the May 22, 2006 minutes with one change. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Changes to the Agenda

Forester, Barrie Brusila informed the Board that the trees on the Town's land behind the fire station have been marked and are ready for harvest. She presented the Board a forester contract between the Town and Mid-Maine Forestry, a copy of the bid form, and timber sales agreement for them to review, sign, and return to her. She plans to have the day of showing on June 23, 2006 and the bid due date on July 4, 2006 by 4:30 pm. She would like to be on the July 10, 2006 agenda. The Board will review the paper work and get it back to Ms. Brusila as soon as possible.

Old Business

Old Town House- Selectman Randy Robbins reported that parking has become a problem at the Food Pantry. He inquired to whether the dead branches and some trees could be removed and if the deep ditch could be fixed with a culvert so that parking could be expanded to the right of the building. After a brief discussion it was decided that Food Pantry volunteers would remove the dead branches and trees. No decision was made on expanding the parking area. Selectman Robbins also would like gutters put back up on the building and the siding and trim boards painted. Selectperson Kim Young will contact Linwood Shields of Let's Fix It. Mr. Shields fixed the trim last fall and was suppose to come back this spring to put a final coat on the trim. Chairman Alton Grover will contact Richard Haskell to see if he would be interested in painting the building. No decision was made on putting the gutters back on the building.

Ball field gate- Joe Smith Chairman of the Buildings and Property Committee presented four options to the Board for the ball field gate, prices ranged from \$1,200.00 to \$356.00. Mr. Smith recommended waiting until the garage and road is put in before putting a gate up. Chairman Alton Grover reported that he saw a cattle gate at Agway that he thought would work for \$150.00 not including gate posts or installation. He thought he could get members of the Recreation Committee to help with the installation. After a brief discussion Randy Robbins motioned, Peter Haviland seconded, to have Chairman Alton Grover pursue and purchase the gate and have it installed. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Appointments- Chairman Alton Grover motioned, Kim Young seconded, to appoint Austin Donaghy as Director of the Rescue Squad, Charlene Benner as Assistant Director, and Charles N. Lewis and Stanley Elliott members of the Assessment Review Board.

The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Book Drop- After a brief discussion on where the book drop should go it was decided that the book drop will be placed to the right of the outside library door when entering the building. A cupboard like door will be placed on the inside wall so books can be retrieved. Selectman Peter Haviland will look into having it installed by Friends of the Cushing Library.

Projects requiring professional design- Chairman Alton Grover reported that he contacted MMA and found out that it is necessary to have a professional design for any project cost that exceed \$100,000 not matter what the time frame is. After a brief discussion Peter Haviland motioned, Kim Young seconded, to have the Board get in touch with Architect John Hansen, have him sign and stamp the prints he has already drawn up for the town and have him advise the town in what direction to go to comply with the State.

New Business

Ordinance Committee- Member of the Ordinance Committee Daniel Staples addressed the Board reporting that Chairman of the Ordinance Committee Judy Olson will be resigning due to an illness. He requested that the Board of Selectmen appoint Laurie Morse as member of the Ordinance Committee to take her place. Laurie Morse has been the recording secretary. Alton Grover motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to appoint Laurie Morse to the Ordinance Committee contingent on Judy Olson's letter of resignation. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Planning Board- Robert Ellis member of the Planning Board read a letter that Chairman of the Planning Board Daniel Remian had addressed to the Board of Selectmen concerning the language and map of the Shore Land Zone Ordinance. He notes that the Town's Shore Land Zone Ordinance differs from the State guidelines and just about every town in Maine. He states that it appears to have been written to be widely interpreted and therefore is subject to many interpretations which have caused the Planning Board, attorneys and regulatory bodies many hours of research and debate with no consensus. He stressed that the Town's regulations, Ordinances and Shore land Zone Map should be clear and concise allowing Boards and applicants the ability to understand without legal assistance and debate. Mr. Remian designated Planning Board Member Robert Ellis to request of the Board of Selectmen an immediate moratorium on subdivisions and Shore Land Zone permits until the Town's regulations, Ordinances and Shore Land Zone district Map can be clarified and updated. He notes that the request is not by the Planning Board but by the Chairman, and that designating a member to represent the Chair is allowed under the Cushing Planning Board By-laws. After a brief discussion Kim Young motioned, Peter Haviland seconded, to have the Town's attorney draft a six month moratorium to suspend process of applications within the Shore Land Zone and for subdivisions of three lots or more, and to clarify the Town's Land Use Ordinances. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Comprehensive Planning Committee- Member of the Comprehensive Planning Committee David Cobey requested that the Board allow the summary of comments to question fifteen of the Cushing Community Survey, specific areas of scenic value that the residents thought should be protected, be available to the Planning Board regarding scenic places. The data was not included in the survey

committee review. Selectman Peter Haviland motioned, Kim Young seconded, to allow David Cobey to share the summary of comments data with the Planning Board. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Road Striping- Chairman Alton Grover informed the Board that he had received a proposal from L&D Safety Marking Corporation to stripe the town roads. Alton recommended striping the same roads as was done last year. Selectman Randy Robbins motioned, Kim Young seconded, to stripe the same roads as last year. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Kim Young motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Young
Recording Secretary
Town Clerk